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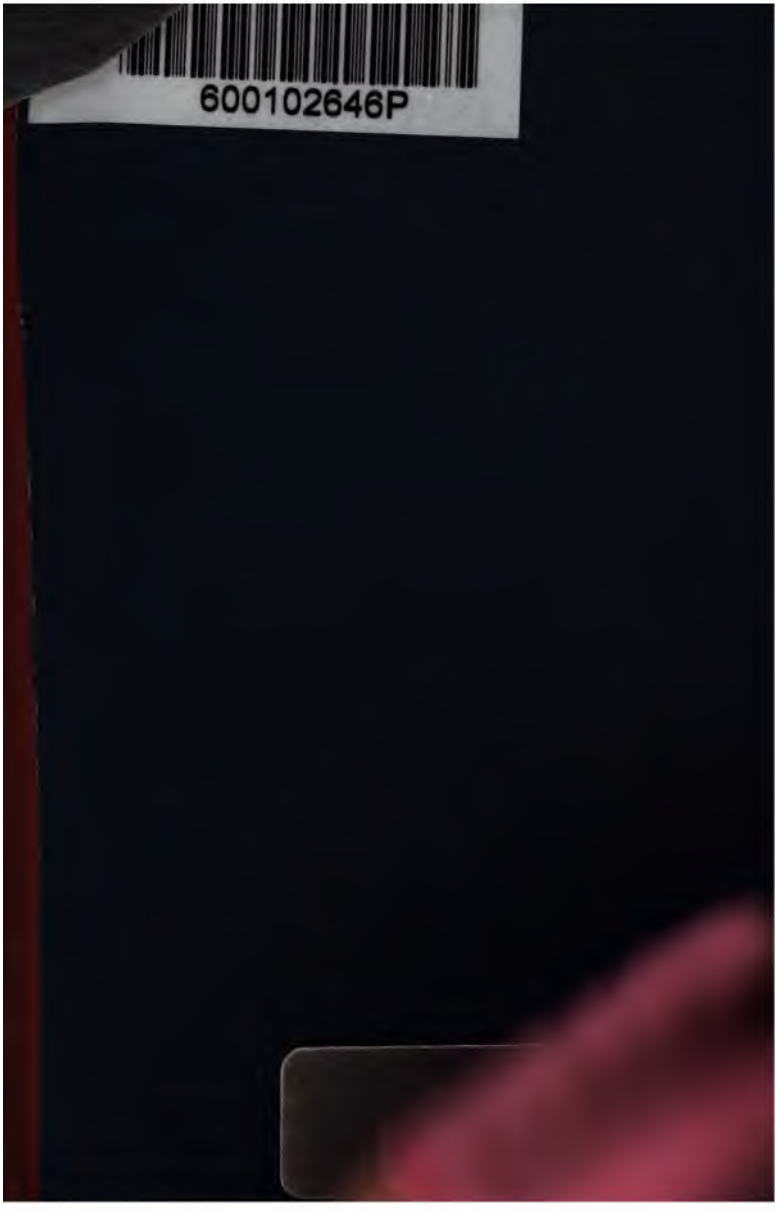
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LORD BISHOP OF WORCESTER,

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Is very gratefully Inscribed.

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PREFACE.

THERE are already so many Manuals for Family Prayer, that at first it might seem an almost needless work to add to their number. And yet, amongst all those that I have carefully examined, I have found none, in my judgment, so entirely satisfactory as to preclude the hope of improvement in this most important part of the home life of a Christian family. For members of the Church of England, the old plan of one long prayer, extending over two or three pages, seems to me most undesirable, and a strange contrast to our Common Prayer

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no need of extravagant variety at the family altar. It is the universal experience of all devout souls, in every age, that forms of prayer and hymns of praise only become dearer and more valued the oftener they are used.

I have gratefully to acknowledge the help I have found in other books of a like kind, some of which have only recently issued from the press.

Much time and thought have been spent in the preparation of this little Manual of Prayers, and if it prove of any service in Christian families, I shall reap abundantly my reward.

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SUNDAY MORNING.

The Psalms of the Day having been said or sung, or the Lesson out of Holy Scripture having been read, the Reader shall say:—

LET US PRAY.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Then all present shall say aloud the Lord's Prayer:—

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy king-

dom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Then shall the Reader say:—

ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast set apart this day for Thy special service and glory; Give us grace, we humbly beseech Thee, to spend it to the honour of Thy Holy Name and the good of our own souls. Help us to lay aside all worldly cares and anxieties, and to worship Thee with reverence and godly fear. Keep from us all wandering thoughts and vain desires. May we enter into

Thy gates with thanksgiving and into Thy courts with praise. And grant that whatsoever in Thy Holy Word we shall profitably learn, we may indeed fulfil the same; that obeying Thy will, and alway being in safety under Thy protection, we may abide in Thy love unto our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Here shall be said the Collect* for the day; then these Prayers following.

ALMIGHTY GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who didst as on this day raise up Thy blessed Son from the dead and give Him glory, that our faith and hope might be in Thee; Raise us, we beseech Thee, by Thy mighty power from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that seeking those things that are above,

* The whole of the Collects will be found together, following the Prayers for Saturday Evening.

where He sitteth at Thy right hand, our hearts may be filled with joy and gladness in Thy holy House of prayer; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY GOD, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to Thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of Thy dear Son; Mercifully look upon the same; send down upon all Bishops and Pastors of Thy flock—especially those whom Thou hast set over us in this Parish—Thy heavenly grace, that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that Thy word spoken by their mouths may have such success that it may never be spoken in vain. Bless this day all who are labouring for Thee, and seeking to help on the work of Thy Church. Draw near the sick and sorrowing, comfort those

that mourn, and grant that being filled with Thy peace, they may rejoice in the hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Or,

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon us, and give us peace, now, and for evermore. *Amen.*

SUNDAY EVENING.

All being assembled and standing, the Reader shall say:—

O COME, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is the Lord our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

LET US PRAY.

V. Lord, have mercy upon us.

R. Christ, have mercy upon us.

V. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us

this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ALMIGHTY GOD and heavenly Father, we Thine unworthy servants draw near the throne of Thy heavenly grace this night, beseeching Thee to pardon all our shortcomings and sins, and our want of earnestness in Thy service. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name; and grant, we beseech Thee, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through Thy grace

be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Lord and heavenly Father, who hast brought us safely to the close of this Thy Holy Day; Vouchsafe to accept our thanksgivings for all the mercies we have received at Thy hands. We bless Thee for the means of grace and for the hope of glory: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so profit by the worship and instruction of Thy house of prayer, that going on from strength to strength, we may all appear before Thee in Sion, and enjoy the blessedness of those that dwell in Thy house and are always praising Thee; through Jesus Christ our Strength and our Redeemer. *Amen.*

After the celebration of the Holy Communion this Prayer following shall be said.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who hast taught us in Thy Holy Word that Thy flesh is meat indeed, and Thy blood drink indeed; We bless Thee that this day we have duly received Thy holy mysteries. May Thy Body given for us, and Thy Blood shed for our salvation, preserve our bodies and souls unto everlasting life, that being nourished and made strong by Thy Holy Sacrament, we may patiently wait for Thine appearing, and be counted worthy to enter into Thine eternal kingdom, Who livest and reignest, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY GOD, who by Thy Son Jesus Christ didst give commandment to the holy Apostles, that they should go into all the world and preach the

Gospel to every creature; Grant to us whom Thou hast called into Thy Church a ready will to obey Thy word, and fill us with a hearty desire to make Thy way known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon the heathen that have not known Thee, and on the multitudes that are scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. O heavenly Father, Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech Thee, to our prayers, and send forth labourers into Thine harvest. Fit and prepare them by Thy grace for the work of their ministry; give them the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind; strengthen them to endure hardness; and grant that both by their life and doctrine they may set forth Thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

INTO Thy merciful hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves, our souls and bodies, for Thou didst make and hast redeemed them, and together with us, all our relatives and friends, and all for whom we should pray. O Thou keeper of Israel, who neither slumberest nor sleepest, guard us this night from all evil; let Thy holy angels encamp around us, and, if it be Thy will, grant us refreshing rest to fit us for the duties of another day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD of peace, who didst as on this day bring again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; Make us perfect in every good work to do Thy will, working in us that which is pleasing in Thy sight;

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Or,

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon us, and remain with us for ever. *Amen.*

MONDAY MORNING.

The Psalms or Lesson being ended, all standing, the Reader shall say:

V. O LORD, open Thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

LET US PRAY.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who by Thy holy apostle has taught us to present our

bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto Thee; We draw nigh unto Thee in the name of Jesus Christ, and dedicate ourselves afresh to Thy service. Thou hast, in thy goodness, brought us safely to the beginning of another day; we pray Thee, therefore, be with Thy servants, who are now going forth to our work and our labour till the evening. Make us to be diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving Thee the Lord, and grant that we may both perceive and know what things we ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Lord God Almighty, through whose most gracious favour we have been baptized into the death of Thy dear Son, that like as He died and

rose again for us, so we also should walk in newness of life; Give us grace, we humbly beseech Thee, to live in continual remembrance of our baptismal vows; clothe us with the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, that having been signed with the sign of the Cross, we may fight manfully under Christ's banner against sin, the world, and the devil, and continue His faithful soldiers and servants unto our lives' end, through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who hast made us and all mankind, and who dost preserve and govern all things in heaven and earth; We beseech Thee to have compassion on all men. Bless our sovereign Lady the Queen, and all in authority

over us. May we be a people serving Thee and working righteousness. We pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; upon all bishops and pastors of Thy flock send down Thy heavenly blessing, that Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. Finally, we commend unto Thee, O Lord, all for whom we should pray, specially those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Give them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day.

O God, our heavenly Father, who by the rest of Thy holy day and by the slumbers of the night past hast restored our souls and refreshed our

bodies; Accept, we beseech Thee, this our morning sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Thy goodness endureth yet daily, and Thou crownest our lives with lovingkindness and tender mercies. May that goodness lead us ever to a more earnest trust in Thy love, and a more patient submission to Thy holy will. Help us to carry into our daily life the lessons we received on Thy day past in Thy holy house, that being not hearers only, but doers of Thy word, we may bring forth the fruits of righteousness to Thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall all say—

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us

this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses; as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MONDAY EVENING.

The Psalms or Lesson being ended, the Reader shall say,—

LET US PRAY.

Then shall follow the General Confession, to be said by all after the Reader:—

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable of-

fenders. Spare Thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore Thou them that are penitent; According to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of Thy holy Name. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then all shall say:

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, let Thy mercy be showed upon us;.

R. As we do put our trust in Thee.

Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness;

R. And let Thy saints shout aloud for joy.

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance;

R. Govern them, and lift them up for ever.

Remember, O Lord, Thy congregation;

R. Which Thou hast purchased and redeemed of old.

Peace be within the walls of Thy Zion;

R. And plenteousness within her palaces.

Remember all Thy servants, our brethren in the faith;

R. And save all them that put their trust in Thee.

Regard all those that suffer from pain, sickness, and infirmity;

R. Heal the diseases of Thy people, O Lord, and pardon all our sins.

Look down in pity upon all prisoners and captives;

R. Deliver them, O Lord, out of all their afflictions.

Have mercy upon the desolate and the oppressed;

R. Send them help from Thy sanctuary, and strengthen them out of Zion.

Lord, hear our prayer;

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

LET US PRAY.

O God, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful; Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before Thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought, and by the providence of Thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we Thy

servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto Thee in Thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and by Thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Resurrection and the Life; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in Him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by His holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to sorrow, as those without hope, for them that sleep in Him; We meekly be-

seech Thee, O Lord, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness, that we may be ready for His appearing. And grant, that those who shall depart this life before His coming may rest in Him, and that we may all, at the general resurrection in the last day, be found acceptable in Thy sight, and receive that blessing which Thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear Thee, saying, Come, ye blessed of My Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, we beseech Thee, most merciful Father, through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon us, and remain with us for ever. *Amen.*

TUESDAY MORNING.

The Psalms or Lesson being ended, and all kneeling, the Reader shall say,—

V. O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us;

R. And grant us Thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the Queen;

R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.

V. Endue Thy ministers with righteousness;

R. And make Thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save Thy people;

R. And bless Thine inheritance.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord;

R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us;

R. And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

LET US PRAY.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with Thy mighty power, and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by Thy governance, to do always that is righteous in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY GOD, we give Thee thanks that of Thy goodness Thou hast watched over us during the night past,

and hast brought us to see the light of another day. Strengthen us by Thy grace, that we may spend this day in Thy faith and fear, and in seeking Thy glory and the good of those around us. Lead us into the paths of righteousness for Thy Name's sake; cause us to hear Thy lovingkindness in the morning, for in Thee do we trust. Make us to know the way wherein we should walk, for we lift up our souls unto Thee. Defend us Thy servants, O Lord, with Thy heavenly grace, that we may continue Thine for ever, and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, until we come to Thy everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Here shall follow the Collect for the day.

O MERCIFUL Father, the comfort of those who are in sorrow, the strength

of those who are oppressed; Let the cries of the afflicted enter into Thine ears, we beseech Thee, and save them out of all their distresses. Heal Thou all who are sick, relieve all who are in need, and in Thy pity grant Thy consolations to all who are oppressed with grief; for the love of Thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who didst call out Thy Church to be one holy body, filled with Thy Divine presence and life, and instructed in Thine eternal truth; Have mercy upon all who profess and call themselves Christians: lead them, we beseech Thee, out of all their wanderings and divisions; and heal all variance and strifes; that they may all once more be one in Jesus Christ, as He is one with Thee. Deliver all

those who are deceived by the wiles of the enemy, and have forsaken the congregation of Thy Church, or been carried away by the vanity of error; and restore them of Thy mercy to the unity of the truth in the one fold of Thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD, we pray Thee, sow the seed of Thy Word in our hearts, and send down upon us Thy heavenly grace, that we may bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, and at the great day may be gathered by Thy holy angels into Thy garner; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer:—

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us

this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

TUESDAY EVENING.

The Psalms or Lesson being ended, the Reader shall say,—

V. I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest;

R. For it is Thou, Lord, only that makest me to dwell in safety.

V. The darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day.

R. The darkness and the light to Thee are both alike.

V. I will remember Thee upon my bed, and meditate upon Thee in the night watches.

R. O Thou Shepherd of Israel, who neither slumberest nor sleepest, keep us safely this night under the shadow of Thy wings.

LET US PRAY.

ALMIGHTY GOD, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things which, for our unworthiness, we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, to whom the night is as clear as the day; We humbly commend to Thy fatherly love and care ourselves, our souls and bodies, and all our relations and friends. Defend us from all danger, and grant unto us abiding trust in Thy mercy. We praise Thee for the many blessings which we have this day received at Thy hands, and we pray for the continuance of Thy

lovingkindness towards us during this night, and for the remainder of our lives. Keep us in Thy holy faith and fear, and bring us through all the changes and chances of this mortal life to Thine eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day:—

ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name; We beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us, that have made now our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

LET US PRAY.

O God, the Father of heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, the Father of heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please Thee to rule and govern Thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons (especially Thy servant, our Bishop, and the clergy of this Diocese and Parish), with true knowledge

and understanding of Thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give us an heart to love and dread Thee, and diligently to live after Thy commandments;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give to all Thy people increase of grace to hear meekly Thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances;

and to endue us with the grace of Thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to Thy holy Word;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us Thy peace.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Then shall all together the say Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Then this Prayer:—

We humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities, and for the glory of Thy name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in Thy mercy; and evermore serve

Thee in holiness and pureness of living, to Thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto Thee; and dost promise that, when two or three are gathered together in Thy Name, Thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of Thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The Psalms or Lesson ended, and all standing, the Reader shall say,—

V. The Lord hath granted His lovingkindness in the daytime;

R. And in the night season did I sing of Him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

V. As long as I live will I magnify Thee in this manner;

R. And lift up my hands in Thy name.

V. Let my prayer be set forth in Thy sight as the incense;

R. And the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

LET US PRAY.

O MOST merciful God, who according to the multitude of Thy mercies dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that Thou rememberest them no more; Open Thine eye of mercy upon us Thy servants, who most earnestly desire pardon and forgiveness. Renew in us, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by our own carnal will and frailty; preserve and continue us in the unity of the Church, consider our contrition, and accept our sorrow; and forasmuch as we put our full trust only in Thy mercy, impute not unto us our former sins, but strengthen us with Thy blessed Spirit, and take us to Thy favour; through the merits of Thy most dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY Father, in whose hands are the wills and affections of sinful men; Kindle in our hearts all holy desires, drive away all corrupt and evil thoughts, dispose us to love and obey Thy commandments, and most earnestly to desire Thy heavenly promises. Give us grace to strive that we may every day become better fitted for the kingdom of heaven, by lively faith in Jesus Christ. Strengthen and establish us in every good work, that amidst all the hopes and fears, the joys and sorrows, and the manifold temptations of this mortal life, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found. And take us, and all our relatives and friends, and all who fear Thy name, under Thy heavenly protection this night and evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day:—

ALMIGHTY GOD, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give Thee hearty thanks for all our brethren, whom it hath pleased Thee to deliver out of the miseries of this sinful world; beseeching Thee that it may please Thee, of Thy gracious goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy kingdom; that we, with all those that are departed in the true faith of Thy holy name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in Thine eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall all say the Lord's Prayer:—

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Psalms or Lesson ended, the Reader shall say, all standing,—

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

LET US PRAY.

We humbly beseech Thee, O heavenly Father, to do away as the night all our transgressions, and to scatter our sins as the morning cloud. Lord, forgive whatsoever Thou hast seen amiss in us during the past night; wash us throughly from our wickedness and cleanse us from our sin, and let Thy Holy Spirit so prevent and accompany and follow

us during the day on which we are now entering, that we may believe in Thee, and love Thee, and keep Thy commandments, and continue in Thy fear all the day long; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall all say,

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is

the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Then shall follow the Collect for the day.

O God the Holy Ghost, Lord and Giver of life, blessed and only Comforter, Spirit of truth and love; Enter into our hearts, we beseech Thee, and dwell there, that henceforth and for evermore we may be Thy temple and dwelling-place. Dispel all darkness by Thy blessed Presence, making all things new and bright within. Kindle in us, we beseech Thee, the love of God, that all that is base and low may die in us, and all things belonging to Thee, O Holy Spirit, may live and grow in us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O most merciful God, who hast called Thy people unto unity in the

One Faith, in the One Spirit, and in the One Body of Christ; We beseech Thee that Thou wilt pour out upon us the grace of Thy Holy Spirit; and wilt so work in all our hearts, that all those who are wandering from Thee may be recovered from their error and brought back unto Thy ways; and that all those who have kept Thy faith may be established therein, and persevere unto eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee, O Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, we beseech Thee to hear our prayers for all mankind. Have mercy upon the whole Church, and pour out Thy Holy Spirit on all its members, that they may faithfully serve Thee, and adorn the doctrine

of God our Saviour in all things. More especially we pray for this parish; bless Thy servants the clergy, and all who are labouring to advance Thy blessed kingdom; confirm the wavering, strengthen the weak-hearted, succour the tempted, and watch over the sick and the dying. Lay underneath them Thine everlasting arms of love, and, this life ended, bring us all to Thine eternal joy; through Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THURSDAY EVENING.

The Psalms or Lesson ended, and all standing, the Reader shall say,

V. Lighten mine eyes, O Lord, that I sleep not in death.

R. Deliver me from the terror of night, and from the pestilence that walketh in darkness.

V. O Keeper of Israel, who neither slumberest nor sleepest;

R. Guard us this night from all evil, and preserve our souls.

V. I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest;

R. For it is Thou, Lord, only that makest me to dwell in safety.

LET US PRAY.

V. O Lord, open Thou our lips;

R. And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us;

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Almighty God, who resistest the proud, and givest grace to the humble; Mercifully grant that we may follow the great humility of Thy blessed Son, who did humble Himself to wash His disciples' feet on the same night in which He was betrayed. Subdue our proud hearts, that we may learn to submit ourselves one to another in the fear of Thee, and love to take the lowest place. Enable us so to live like our Saviour in this world, that we may be like unto Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom, where, with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, He liveth and

reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast given us Thy new commandment of love one to another, and hast taught us that where envy and strife are, there are confusion and every evil work; Give unto us, Thy servants, grace, that we may be kindly affectioned one to another. Put away from us all bitterness and wrath, and anger and evil speaking, with all malice; and grant that, in honour preferring one another, we may walk in love, even as Thou, O blessed Jesus, hast loved us, and given Thyself to die for our sins. *Amen.*

O Lord Christ, Lamb of God, Son of the Father; We would remember and bless Thee this night of the week for all that Thou, in Thy Divine love and pity, wast pleased to do and suffer

for us on the evening of this day. We bless Thee for that last Passover with Thy disciples, when Thou didst to our great and endless comfort institute and ordain the Holy Sacrament, as a pledge of Thy love, and for a continual remembrance of Thy death; and we beseech Thee, grant ever unto us such discernment of Thy holy mysteries, that we may continually receive the full fruition of Thy redeeming love, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who alone preservest us in life; We desire to rest this night under Thy gracious and sure protection. Keep, O Lord, our bodies from harm and danger, and our souls from sin. Accept our humble and hearty thanks for all

Thy daily goodness to us, and give us grace to live as Thy servants, doing Thy blessed will, and waiting for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ; to whom with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Then shall all say the Lord's Prayer:—

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

FRIDAY MORNING.

LET US PRAY.

O God the Father of heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take Thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from Thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy word and commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation; by Thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by Thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By Thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by Thy Cross and Passion; by Thy precious Death and Burial; by Thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

Son of God; we beseech Thee to hear us.

Son of God; we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us Thy peace.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Then all together shall say the Lord's Prayer:—

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross, who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O GOD of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob; Have mercy, we beseech Thee, upon Thine ancient people the house of Israel. Deliver them from their hardness of heart and unbelief of Thy gospel; that, their hearts being turned unto Thee, they may behold Thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ, and may acknowledge Him to be their Saviour, whom as on this day their fathers gave up to be crucified: that so they may be brought into Thy holy Church, and saved among the

remnant of the true Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Or this:—

THE Lord bless us and keep us, the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon us, and give us His peace, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Psalms or Lesson ended, the Reader shall say,—

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

V. O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us.

R. And grant us Thy salvation.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

LET US PRAY.

O God, who, by the precious blood of Thy dear Son, hast consecrated unto

us a new and living way into the holiest of all; Grant unto us, we beseech Thee, the abundance of Thy mercy, and sanctify us by Thy heavenly grace; that we, approaching unto Thee with clean hearts and in full assurance of faith, may obtain our petitions; through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, whose blessed Son as on this day was crucified for us, the just for the unjust, to bring us to Thee; Give us grace, we beseech Thee, to keep that cross ever before us; may we learn in humble devotion to take up our cross and deny ourselves daily, that we may follow Him. Grant that all carnal affections may die in us, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in us; that we, being buried with Christ in His death, may crucify the

old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, unto us Thy servants, that we may have fellowship with Thee in Thy sufferings. Make us watchful, that we may be kept through the hour of temptation, and give to us such willingness of spirit and patient quietness, that we may not shrink from drinking of Thy cup, and from being baptized with Thy baptism. For in Thee is our hope, O Christ, our God, and to Thee, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day.

O Thou Keeper of Israel, who never slumberest nor sleepest, watch over

us, and over all who are near and dear to us this night. Shield us from all harm; keep us from all sin; and whether we sleep or wake, let us live with Thee. Fulfil Thy promise, that Thou wilt never leave us nor forsake us. Enable us to pass the time of our sojourning in Thy faith, fear, and love; and when we die, receive us into Thy hands, O holy and ever-blessed Jesus, that we may dwell in Thy presence, and behold Thy Face in righteousness, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then shall all say the Lord's Prayer,—

Our Father, &c.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Psalms or Lesson ended, all standing, the Reader shall say,—

V. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

R. My help cometh even from the Lord, Who hath made heaven and earth.

V. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; and He that keepeth thee will not sleep.

R. Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

V. The Lord Himself is Thy keeper: the Lord is Thy defence upon Thy right hand;

R. So that the sun shall not burn thee by day, neither the moon by night.

V. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even He that shall keep Thy soul.

R. The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in; from this time forth for evermore.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

LET US PRAY.

O MOST mighty God and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made; who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our

trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to Thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgment with Thy servants, who are vile earth and miserable sinners; but so turn Thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults; and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with Thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, receive our humble petitions; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the

pitifulness of Thy great mercy loose us; for the honour of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then shall follow the Collect for the day,—

O Lord Christ, who as on this day, having finished the work which the Father gave Thee to do, didst hallow the grave by suffering Thy precious body to be entombed, whilst Thou didst rest in paradise; Make us, we

beseech Thee, to die now unto sin, that when hereafter we cease from our labours, we may be amongst the blessed which rest in the Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, whose dearly beloved Son, after His resurrection from the dead, did send His apostles into all the world to preach the gospel to every creature; Hear us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and look upon the fields now white unto harvest. Bless those labouring for Thee in distant lands, and prosper Thou their handiwork; send forth more labourers into Thy harvest to gather fruit unto life eternal; and grant us grace to labour with them in prayers and offerings, that we, together with them, may rejoice before Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, accept, we beseech Thee, our humble praises for all Thy goodness vouchsafed to us during the week past. Thou hast preserved us in our going out and our coming in, and hast filled our hearts with food and gladness. Above all, we bless Thee for the revelation of Thy love, for the unspeakable gift of Thy dear Son, and for the hope of everlasting life, through His blessed Name. May Thy goodness lead us to repentance and earnestness of life, that following daily in the steps of our Master and only Saviour, Jesus Christ, we may be made partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, who art a most strong tower to all that put their

trust in Thee, and to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth do bow down; Be Thou now and evermore our defence. Make us to know and feel that there is none other Name under heaven given to man, in whom and through whom we may receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; to whom with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, be glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

SATURDAY EVENING.

The Psalms or Lesson ended, all standing, the Reader shall say,—

V. The Lord is my Shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

R. He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

V. He shall convert my soul, and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for His Name's sake.

R. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff comfort me.

V. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble

me: Thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

R. But Thy lovingkindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

LET US PRAY.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast brought us safely to the close of another week, we kneel before Thee and implore Thy pardon for all our sins. Wash us in the precious blood of Jesus, and we shall be clean. For His dear sake do away all our offences. Cast us not away from Thy Presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from us; and grant to us Thy heavenly grace, that we may love Thee more and serve Thee better; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

BLESSED Lord, be pleased in Thy mercy to watch over us and all dear to us during this last night of the week. Give us grace to walk as the children of light, and enable us to finish the work which Thou hast given us to do. And because we know neither the day nor the hour of our Master's coming, may we ever seek to be of the number of those blessed servants whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching, and for whom the kingdom of the Father hath been prepared from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O merciful Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And for-

give us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Then shall be said the Collect for the Sunday following.

ACCEPT, O merciful Father, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for all the mercies of the past week, and of our past lives. To Thee we owe all we are, and all we have; and we beseech Thee to keep us this night in safety under the shadow of Thy wings, and so to prepare us, both in soul and body, for the duties of the Lord's day, that we may sanctify it by a holy rest, and may rise with Christ unto newness of life; through Him who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast purchased to Thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of Thy dear Son, Mercifully look upon the same. Give grace to all bishops and pastors of Thy flock, that they may both by their lives and doctrines set forth Thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer Thy holy sacraments. Enlighten their minds and sanctify their hearts for the holy work they have undertaken. Look especially upon the clergy of this parish, that they may have grace to give themselves wholly to their office, and to watch for souls as they that must give account; that so Thy Holy Word may be heard among us continually, and be preached by the lips and lives of those to whom its ministry is entrusted. Grant this for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who by the descent of our Saviour Jesus Christ into hell, and His rising again from the dead, hast given assurance that the spirits of those who sleep in Him do abide in joy and felicity; Grant unto us, we beseech Thee, such steadfast faith and lively hope, that we may purify ourselves as He is pure; and that we, with Thy whole redeemed Church, may speedily attain unto the resurrection from the dead, when our mortal bodies shall put on immortality, and we shall be changed into the likeness of His glorious Body; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we bless Thy holy Name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear. And we beseech Thee

to give unto us grace so to follow their good examples, that we with them may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and remain with us always. *Amen.*

OCCASIONAL PRAYERS.

FOR THE FIRST DAY OF A NEW YEAR.

O LORD God, in whose sight a thousand years are but as yesterday; from everlasting to everlasting Thou art God. We bless Thy holy name that Thou hast brought us in safety to the beginning of another year. Give us, we beseech Thee, a due sense of Thy goodness, and grant us grace to begin this year with hearty repentance for the sins of the past, and with steadfast resolution to lead a new life. O Lord, pardon all our misspent time, and make us diligent in duly improving that which is to come; that so being made wise unto salvation, we may consider in this

our day the things that belong unto our peace, and may live in Thy faith and fear, looking for the blessed hope of the appearing of the great God our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to whom with the Father and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Or this:—

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, who hast mercifully brought us to see the beginning of another year; Grant that we may continue to grow in grace, and in the knowledge of Thy dear Son. Lead us forward by Thy Spirit from strength to strength, that we may more perfectly serve Thee, and attain unto a more lively hope of Thy mercy in Christ Jesus. Quicken our dull hearts; inspire us with warmer affections for Thee, O God, and for Thy heavenly truth.

Stir up the gift that is in us, and pour down from above more abundant gifts of grace, that we may make progress in heavenly things. Increase our faith as Thou dost increase our years; and the longer we are suffered to abide in Thy Church on earth, the better may our service be, the more willing our obedience, the more consistent our daily lives, the more complete our devotion to Thee. Grant this our prayer, O gracious Father, which we humbly offer at the throne of grace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen*

FOR THE BIRTH OF A CHILD.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast taught us that children, and the fruit of the womb, are a heritage and gift that cometh of Thee; We give Thee hum-

ble thanks for that Thou hast vouchsafed to deliver Thy servant, the mistress of this family, from the great pain and peril of childbirth. Continue Thy lovingkindness unto her; preserve and strengthen her in her present need, and grant that the child now brought into this sinful world may be brought to Thee in Thy holy sacrament of baptism, and that being regenerated by Thy Spirit, and adopted into Thy family, *he* may live to Thy glory, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYERS UPON THE BAPTISM OF A CHILD.

O Lord Jesu Christ, who didst Thyself most lovingly receive the children that were brought unto Thee,

and didst command Thy disciples to go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; We beseech Thee to have mercy upon the infant which is this day to be brought to Thy holy baptism. Grant that being baptized with the Holy Ghost, received into Thy holy Church, and made a lively member of the same, *he* may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *he* may come to the land of everlasting life; through Thy merits, O blessed Lord, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, who hast vouchsafed that this infant should be born again of water and of the Holy Ghost; Pros-

per, we beseech Thee, the gracious work which Thou hast begun in *him;* and so daily renew *him* by Thy grace, that *he* may withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; and having had part in the first regeneration, may also be a partaker of the second, to live and reign with Thee for ever and ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

BEFORE CONFIRMATION.

ALMIGHTY God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to bless Thy servants who this day are about to renew the vows of their baptism, and to confess Thee before men. Grant to them Thy Holy Spirit, that they may never be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and to fight under His banner against sin, the world, and

the devil; and that they may continue His faithful soldiers and servants unto their lives' end; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

AFTER CONFIRMATION.

O God, who gavest the Holy Ghost to Thy apostles, and hast pleased to ordain that He should be given to the rest of Thy faithful people; Mercifully regard what Thy servant our Bishop hath this day done; and grant that the hearts of *these* Thy *servants*, being filled with Thy grace and heavenly benediction, may become living temples of the Holy Ghost. Vouchsafe to *them* a constant union with Thy holy Church, and make *them* always worthy partakers of Thy Divine mysteries; through Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

BEFORE THE MARRIAGE OF ONE OF THE FAMILY.

O God, who hast consecrated the state of matrimony to such an excellent mystery, that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity betwixt Christ and His Church; Look mercifully upon Thy servants who are this day to be joined together in holy matrimony, and bless them. And as Thou didst send Thy blessing upon Abraham and Sarah, to their great comfort, so vouchsafe to send Thy blessing upon these Thy servants; that they, obeying Thy will, and alway being in safety under Thy protection, may abide in Thy love unto their lives' end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR A SICK PERSON.

O Father of mercies and God of all

comfort, our only help in time of need; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech Thee, behold, visit, and relieve Thy sick *servant*, for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon *him* with the eyes of Thy mercy; comfort *him* with a sense of Thy goodness; preserve *him* from the temptations of the enemy; give *him* patience under *his* affliction; and, in Thy good time, if it be in accordance with Thy holy will, restore *him* to health, and enable *him* to lead the rest of *his* life in Thy fear, and to Thy glory; or else give *him* grace so to take Thy visitation, that, after this painful life is ended, *he* may dwell with Thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:—

O God, who hearest and answerest prayer, and art nigh unto all that call upon Thee; Be merciful unto our

dear [*here specify the relation*], whom Thine hand has afflicted with sickness. Sustain *him* in weakness, relieve *his* pain and suffering, and in Thy good time remove the disease from *him*, and restore *him* again to health and strength.

And whether by doing or by suffering, whether in health or in sickness, may Thy will ever be done in each of us, and Thy glory manifested forth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A COMMENDATORY PRAYER FOR A SICK MEMBER OF THE FAMILY AT THE POINT OF DEPARTURE.

(*From the Office for the Visitation of the Sick.*)

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons; We humbly com-

mend the soul of this Thy servant, our dear [*here specify the relation*], into Thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator and most merciful Saviour, most humbly beseeching Thee that it may be precious in Thy sight. Wash it, we pray Thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh, or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before Thee. And teach us who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our own condition is; and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, whilst

we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting; through the merits of Jesus Christ, Thine only Son our Lord. *Amen.*

ON A DEATH IN THE FAMILY.

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, in whose hands are the issues of life and death, so that when Thou speakest the word, we turn again to our dust, and all our thoughts perish; We humble ourselves under Thy mighty hand, which we acknowledge to be upon us at this season. We adore Thy majesty and submit to Thy providence; we revere Thy justice and magnify Thy mercy. Thou hast released Thy servant from the miseries of this sinful world, and left us in sorrow and sadness. Thou hast taken him to Thyself, and left us to lament his departure. Sustain

the souls of Thy servants, we pray Thee, and quicken us to run with patience the race that is set before us, in a lively hope of that day when, with the whole company of Thine elect, we may enjoy our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in Thine eternal and everlasting glory. Grant this, O Lord, for the sake of Him who died and rose again for us, and who ever liveth at Thy right hand to make intercession for us, even Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

TO BE USED ON THE EVENING OF THE DAY OF THE FUNERAL.

O ALMIGHTY God, who didst by Thy Spirit raise up Thy Son Jesus Christ from the dead, and hast promised to quicken our mortal bodies by the same Spirit; We yield Thee hearty

thanks that we have this day committed the body of our dear *brother* to the ground in full assurance of hope that it will be raised in incorruption; and we most humbly beseech Thee to grant, that leaving the whole body of sin, and rising again unto newness of life, we may be kept by Thy power through faith unto salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING FOR HARVEST.

O MOST merciful Father, who of Thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of Thy Church, and hast granted us to gather in the kindly fruits of the earth in their season; We give Thee humble thanks for this Thy bounty, beseeching Thee to continue Thy lovingkindness towards us, that our land may yield

her increase; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:—

O Lord God of hosts, who dwellest in the high and holy place, and yet hast respect unto the lowly; who makest Thy sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendest rain on the just and on the unjust; who by Thy mighty power dost order all things in heaven and earth; We yield Thee hearty thanks that Thou hast safely brought us to the season of harvest, visiting the earth and blessing it, and crowning the year with Thy goodness; we praise Thee for the fruits of the ground which Thou hast bestowed upon us, filling our hearts with food and gladness. For these and all Thy mercies we laud and magnify Thy glorious name; beseeching Thee to give unto us the

increase of all spiritual gifts, the bright light of the Sun of righteousness, and the dew of Thy heavenly blessing; and so plant us here in the house of the Lord, that we may flourish everlastingly in the courts of the house of our God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

THE COLLECTS FOR EMBER WEEKS.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to Thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of Thy dear Son; Mercifully look upon the same, and at this time so guide and govern the minds of Thy servants the bishops and pastors of Thy flock, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but faithfully

and wisely make choice of fit persons to serve in the sacred ministry of Thy Church. And to those which shall be ordained to any holy function give Thy grace and heavenly benediction; that both by their life and doctrine they may set forth Thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of Thy divine providence hast appointed divers orders in Thy Church; Give Thy grace, we humbly beseech Thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of Thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before Thee, to the glory of Thy great Name, and the benefit of

Thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE MINISTRY.

(*From the Ordination of Priests.*)

ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, who of Thine infinite love and goodness towards us hast given to us Thy only and most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after He had made perfect our redemption by His death, and was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world His apostles, prophets, evangelists, doctors, and pastors; by whose labour and ministry He gathered together a great flock in all the parts of the world, to set forth the eternal praise of Thy holy Name: For these so great benefits of Thy eternal goodness we render unto Thee

most hearty thanks, we praise and worship Thee; and we humbly beseech Thee, by the same Thy blessed Son, to grant unto all, which either here or elsewhere call upon Thy holy Name, that we may continue to show ourselves thankful unto Thee for these and all other Thy benefits; and that we may daily increase and go forwards in the knowledge and faith of Thee and Thy Son, by the Holy Spirit; so that Thy holy Name may be for ever glorified, and Thy blessed kingdom enlarged; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen.*

THE COLLECTS

FOR

SUNDAYS AND HOLY-DAYS.

(*From the Book of Common Prayer.*)

First Sunday in Advent.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, (in which Thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility,) that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

Second Sunday in Advent.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that by patience and comfort of Thy holy word we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Third Sunday in Advent.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at Thy first coming didst send Thy messenger to prepare Thy way before Thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of Thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready Thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at Thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in Thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday in Advent.

O LORD, raise up, (we pray Thee,) Thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, Thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us, through the satisfaction of Thy Son our Lord; to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Christmas Day.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us Thy only begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

St. Stephen's Day.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of Thy truth, we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors, by the example of Thy first martyr St. Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to Thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God, to succour all those that suffer for Thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

St. John the Evangelist's Day.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech Thee to cast Thy bright beams of light upon Thy Church; that it, being enlightened by the doctrine of Thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist St. John, may so walk in the light of Thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Innocents' Day.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest Infants to glorify Thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us; and so strengthen us by Thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith, even unto death, we may glorify Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sunday after Christmas.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us Thy only begotten Son, to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Circumcision of Christ.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest Thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true Circumcision of the Spirit; that our hearts and all our members being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey Thy blessed will; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epiphany.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest Thy only begotten Son to the Gentiles; Mercifully grant, that we which know Thee now by faith may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

First Sunday after the Epiphany.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people which call upon Thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they

ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Second Sunday after the Epiphany.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people, and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday after the Epiphany.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities; and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth Thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers; that, by reason of the frailty of our nature, we cannot always stand upright; Grant

to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.

O LORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Church and household continually in Thy true religion; that they, who do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace, may evermore be defended by Thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech Thee, that having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as He is pure; that when He shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made

like unto Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom, where with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, He liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Septuagesima Sunday.

O LORD, we beseech Thee favourably to hear the prayers of Thy people; that we who are justly punished for our offences may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness, for the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sexagesima Sunday.

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do; Mercifully grant, that by Thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Quinquagesima Sunday.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth; Send Thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtue; without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before Thee. Grant this for Thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Ash Wednesday.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts; that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

First Sunday in Lent.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to

use such abstinence, that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to Thy honour and glory; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Second Sunday in Lent.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, *Amen.*

Third Sunday in Lent.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants; and stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday in Lent.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday in Lent.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people; that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sunday before Easter.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of Thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His resur-

rection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Good Friday.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church; that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men and hatest nothing that Thou hast

made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted, and live; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks; and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to Thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Easter Even.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of Thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections, we may be buried with Him; and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass to our joyful resurrection, for His merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Easter Day.

THE ANTHEM.

CHRIST our passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast;

Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. 1 *Cor.* v. 7.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over Him.

For in that He died, He died unto sin once: but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin: but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Rom.* vi. 9.

Christ is risen from the dead: and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 1 *Cor.* xv. 20.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. *Amen.*

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who, through Thine only begotten Son Jesus Christ, hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech Thee, that as by Thy special grace preventing us Thou dost put into our minds good desires; so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The same Collect to be used on Monday and Tuesday.

First Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given Thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; Grant us so

to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve Thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Second Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given Thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that His inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of His most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of Thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of

Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday after Easter.

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto Thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which Thou dost promise; that so among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday after Easter.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the

same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Ascension Day.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe Thine only begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with Him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sunday after Ascension Day.

O GOD, the King of glory, who hast exalted Thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto Thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech Thee leave us not comfortless; but send to us Thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Whit Sunday.

GOD, who, as at this time, didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort, through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour; who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The same Collect to be used on Monday and Tuesday.

Trinity Sunday.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us Thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech Thee, that Thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

First Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in Thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without Thee, grant us the help of Thy grace, that in keeping of Thy commandments we may please Thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Second Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern them whom Thou dost bring up in Thy steadfast fear and love; Keep us, we beseech Thee, under the protection of Thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of Thy holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom

Thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may, by Thy mighty aid, be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us Thy mercy, that Thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love Thee such good things as pass man's

understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things; Graft in our hearts the love of Thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Tenth Sunday after Trinity.

LET Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, who declarest Thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of Thy grace, that we, running the way of Thy commandments, may obtain Thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of Thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; Pour down upon us the abundance of Thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity;

and that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

KEEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church with Thy perpetual mercy; and because the frailty of man without Thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by Thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succour, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we pray Thee that Thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good

works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we beseech Thee, grant Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow Thee, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee; Mercifully grant, that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of Thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech Thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish

those things that Thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech Thee, to hear the devout prayers of Thy Church; and grant that those

things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, absolve Thy people from their offences; that through Thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity.

STIR up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the wills of Thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of Thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Andrew's Day.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give such grace unto Thy holy Apostle Saint

Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed Him without delay; Grant unto us all, that we, being called by Thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil Thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Thomas the Apostle.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer Thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in Thy Son's resurrection; Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in Thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in Thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ; to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

The Conversion of Saint Paul.

O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast

caused the light of thy Gospel to shine throughout the world; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness unto Thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Purification of the Virgin Mary.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty, that as Thy only begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto Thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Matthias's Day.

O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose Thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles; Grant that Thy Church, being always preserved from false

Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the Incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by His cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Mark's Day.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast instructed Thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of Thy Evangelist Saint Mark; Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of Thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Philip and Saint James's Day.

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know Thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that, following the steps of Thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may steadfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Barnabas the Apostle.

O LORD God Almighty, who didst endue Thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost; Leave us not, we beseech Thee, destitute of Thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them always to Thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint John Baptist's Day.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of Thy

Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance; Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Peter's Day.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by Thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to Thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed Thy flock; Make, we beseech Thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach Thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint James the Apostle.

GRANT, O merciful God, that as Thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay

was obedient unto the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed Him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow Thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Bartholomew the Apostle.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give to Thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach Thy Word; Grant, we beseech Thee, unto Thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Matthew the Apostle.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by Thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same Thy Son

Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Saint Michael and all Angels.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as Thy holy Angels always do Thee service in heaven, so by Thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Luke the Evangelist.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul; May it please Thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Simon and Saint Jude.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All Saints' Day.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together Thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of Thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow Thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which Thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HYMNS

FOR

HOUSEHOLD WORSHIP.

St. Paul has told us that Psalms and Hymns and Spiritual Songs are a special ministry of teaching; it is most desirable, therefore, that these Hymns should be sung, or said in alternate verses by the Reader and the members of the family, either after the reading of Holy Scripture or after the Collect of the Day. If after the Collect, the Hymn being ended, the Reader shall say, Let us pray.

SUNDAY MORNING.

1 7. 6.

"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day."

O DAY of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
Most beautiful, most bright!

On Thee, the high and lowly,
Through ages joined in tune,
Sing, Holy, Holy, Holy,
To the Great God Triune.

On Thee, at the Creation,
The Light first had its birth;
On Thee, for our salvation,
Christ rose from depths of earth;
On Thee, our Lord victorious
The Spirit sent from heaven;
And thus on Thee most glorious
A triple Light was given.

To-day on weary nations
The heavenly Manna falls;
To holy convocations
The silver trumpet calls,
Where Gospel light is glowing
With pure and radiant beams,
And living water flowing
With soul-refreshing streams.

New graces ever gaining
From this our day of rest,
We reach the Rest remaining
To spirits of the blest.
To Holy Ghost be praises,
To Father, and to Son;
The Church her voice upraises
To Thee, blest Three in One.—AMEN.

2 S. M.

"A day in Thy courts is better than a thousand."

WELCOME, glad day of rest,
That saw the Lord arise;
O welcome to this thankful breast,
And these rejoicing eyes!

The King Himself comes near,
And meets His saints to-day;
And we by faith may see Him here,
And love, and praise, and pray.

One day within the place
Where our dear Lord has been,
Is sweeter than ten thousand days
Of vanity and sin.

Our willing souls would stay
In such a frame as this,
And wait the bright and perfect day
Of everlasting bliss.—AMEN.

3 —— 6. 7's.

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness."

LORD! it is Thy holy day;
Here we meet to praise and pray,
Joining with one heart and mind,
Earthly cares we leave behind;
On the day which Thou hast made,
Us in our rejoicings aid!

Glad, as when the glorious shout
Of the morning stars rang out,
Thee, Creator, will we praise,
And our hymns of triumph raise.
Sun and moon, your songs unite;
Praise Him, all ye stars of light!

Mindful of that happy morn,
Louder yet our strains be borne,
When the world's Redeemer rose,
Victor from the grave's repose;
Who by death subdued the grave,
Mighty all our souls to save!

Looking for that rest above,
For the Sabbath of Thy love,
Here to-day by hope we rise
To our mansion in the skies;
Here by faith and love prepare
For our endless Sabbath there!—AMEN.

4 —— S. M.

"Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honour dwelleth."

I LOVE Thy Kingdom, Lord!
The house of Thine abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood.

I love Thy Church, O Lord;
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.

Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways,
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
Her hymns of love and praise.

Jesu, our Head Divine,
Thou Prophet, Priest, and King,
Thy hand from every snare and foe
Shall great deliverance bring.

Sure as Thy truth shall last,
To Sion shall be given
The brightest glories earth can yield,
And brighter bliss of heaven!—AMEN.

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5 L. M.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most High.

SWEET is the work, my God, my King,
To praise Thy name, give thanks and sing;
To show Thy love by morning light,
And talk of all Thy truth at night.

Sweet is Thy day of sacred rest;
Let no vain thoughts disturb my breast;
O may my heart in tune be found,
Like David's harp of solemn sound!

My heart shall triumph in the Lord,
And praise His works, and love His word;
Thy works of grace, how bright they shine!
How deep Thy counsels, how divine!

Lord, I would love Thy courts below,
And when Thy heavenly rest I know,
Thy praise shall all my powers employ
In that eternal world of joy.—AMEN.

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6 6. 6.

"Give us this day our daily bread."

GIVE us our daily bread,
O God, the bread of strength;
For we have learnt to know
How weak we are at length:
As children we are weak,
As children must be fed;
Give us Thy grace, O Lord,
To be our daily bread.

Give us our daily bread,
The bitter bread of grief;
We sought earth's poisoned feasts
For pleasure and relief;
We sought her deadly fruits,
But now, O God, instead,
We ask Thy healing grief
To be our daily bread.

Give us our daily bread,
To cheer our fainting soul;
The feast of comfort, Lord,
And peace to make us whole;
For we are sick of tears,
The useless tears we shed;
Now give us comfort, Lord,
To be our daily bread.

Give us our daily bread,
The bread of angels, Lord,
By us so many times
Broken, betrayed, adored;
His Body and His Blood,
The feast that Jesus spread,
Give Him, our Life, our All,
To be our daily bread.—AMEN.

SUNDAY EVENING.

7 L.M.

"Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent."

SUN of my soul, Thou Saviour dear,
It is not night if Thou be near:
O may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.

When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast!

Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without Thee I cannot live;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without Thee I dare not die.

If some poor wandering child of Thine
Have spurned to-day the voice Divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin;
Let him no more lie down in sin.

Watch by the sick; enrich the poor
With blessings from Thy boundless store;
Be every mourner's sleep to-night,
Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way we take;
Till in the ocean of Thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above.—AMEN.

8 —— 6. 7's.

"Let the lifting up of my hands be as the Evening Sacrifice."

LORD! once more we meet to pray,
Ere Thy Sabbath pass away;
Lengthen out the sacred hours,
Joyful own they are not ours;
Lift our hearts and hands and eyes
With our evening sacrifice!

Thou Whose holy eye and pure
Nought of evil can endure,
If not unpolluted rise
Morning songs and evening sighs,
Pardon wandering thought and eye,
Pass Thy children's frailties by!

By the Spirit of Thy Son
Bless the good this day begun!
Let the widely-scattered seed
In good ground spring up indeed;
Save it from the thorn and tare,
Fruit abundant may it bear!—AMEN.

9 7's.

"When Thou hearest, forgive."

ERE another Sabbath close,
Ere again we seek repose,
Lord, our song ascends to Thee,
At Thy feet we bow the knee.

For the mercies of the day,
For this rest upon our way,
Thanks to Thee alone be given,
Lord of earth, and King of heaven.

Cold our services have been,
Mingled every prayer with sin;
But Thou canst and wilt forgive:
By Thy grace alone we live.

Whilst this thorny path we tread,
May Thy love our footsteps lead;
When our journey here is past,
May we rest with Thee at last.—AMEN.

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10 10's.

"Abide with us."

ABIDE with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless! O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me!

I need Thy presence every passing hour!
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me!

I fear no foe: with Thee at hand to bless,
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness;
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy Cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;—
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;—
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!—AMEN.

MONDAY MORNING.

11 L.M.

"I have set God always before me: for He is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall."

FORTH in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know
In all I think, or speak, or do.

The task Thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works Thy presence find,
And prove Thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see;
And labour on at Thy command,
And offer all my works to Thee.

Give me to bear Thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray;
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to Thy glorious day.

Fain would I still for Thee employ
Whate'er Thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with Thee to heaven.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God Whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel-host
Be praise and glory evermore.—AMEN.

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12 S.M.

"He shall choose our inheritance for us."

Thy way, not mine, O Lord,
However dark it be;
O lead me by Thine own right Hand,
Choose Thou the path for me.

Smooth let it be, or rough,
It will be still the best;
Winding or straight, it matters not,
It leads me to Thy rest.

I dare not choose my lot;
I would not if I might;
But choose Thou for me, O my God,
So shall I walk aright.

The kingdom that I seek
Is Thine; so let the way
That leads to it, O Lord, be Thine,
Else I must surely stray.

Take Thou my cup, and it
With joy or sorrow fill,
As ever best to Thee may seem;
Choose Thou my good and ill.

Not mine, not mine the choice,
In things or great or small;
Be Thou my Guide, my Guard, my Strength,
My Wisdom, and my All.—AMEN.

13 —— 7's.

"And they shall be Mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up My jewels."

THINE for ever! God of love,
Hear us from Thy throne above,
Thine for ever may we be,
Here and in eternity!

Thine for ever! Lord of life,
Shield us through our earthly strife;
Thou, the Life, the Truth, the Way,
Guide us to the realms of day.

Thine for ever! O how blest
They who find in Thee their rest;
Saviour, Guardian, heavenly Friend,
O protect us to the end.

Thine for ever! Saviour, keep
These Thy frail and trembling sheep;
Safe alone beneath Thy care,
Let us all Thy goodness share.

Thine for ever! Thou our Guide,
All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiven,
Led by Thee from earth to heaven.—AMEN.

MONDAY EVENING.

14 L.M.

"He shall defend Thee under His wings."

GLORY to Thee, my God, this night
For all the blessings of the light;
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Under Thine own almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, for Thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and Thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed;
Teach me to die, that so I may
Rise glorious at the awful Day.

O may my soul on Thee repose,
And may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
Sleep that shall me more vigorous make
To serve my God when I awake.

When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No powers of darkness me molest.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, angelic host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.—AMEN.

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15 7's.

"At evening time it shall be light."

GOD the Father, be Thou near,
Save from every harm to-night;
Make us all Thy children dear,
In the darkness be our Light.

God the Saviour, be our Peace,
Put away our sins to-night;
Speak the word of full release,
Turn our darkness into light.

Holy Spirit, deign to come,
Sanctify us all to-night;
In our hearts prepare Thy home,
Then our darkness shall be light.

Holy Trinity, be nigh!
Mystery of love adored,
Help to live and help to die,—
Lighten all our darkness, Lord!—AMEN.

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16 C.M.

"Unto you, therefore, which believe, He is precious."

JESU, the very thought of Thee
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see,
And in Thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find,
A sweeter sound than Thy blest Name,
O Saviour of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall how kind Thou art!
How good to those who seek!

And those who find Thee find a bliss
No tongue or pen can show;
The love of Jesus, what it is,
None but His loved ones know.

Jesu, our only joy be Thou,
As Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesu, be Thou our glory now,
And through eternity.—AMEN.

TUESDAY MORNING.

17 L.M.

"I myself will awake right early."

AWAKE, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and early rise,
To pay Thy morning sacrifice.

Redeem thy misspent time that's past,
And live this day as if thy last;
Improve thy talent with due care,
For the great day thyself prepare.

Let all thy converse be sincere,
Thy conscience as the noonday clear;
Think how all-seeing God thy ways
And all thy secret thoughts surveys.

Lord, I my vows to Thee renew,
Scatter my sins as morning dew ;
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
And with Thyself my spirit fill.

Direct, control, suggest this day
All I design, or do, or say ;
That all my powers with all their might
In Thy sole glory may unite.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow ;
Praise Him, all creatures here below ;
Praise Him above, angelic host ;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.—AMEN.

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18 P.M.

"Watch and pray."

CHRISTIAN, seek not yet repose,
Cast thy dreams of ease away ;
Thou art in the midst of foes :—
Therefore watch and pray.

Gird thy heavenly armour on,
Wear it ever, night and day ;
Near thee lurks the evil one :—
Therefore watch and pray.

Listen to thy sorrowing Lord,
Him thou lovest to obey ;
It is He who speaks the word :—
Therefore watch and pray.

'Twas by watching and by prayer,
Holy men of olden day
Won the palms and crowns they wear :—
Therefore watch and pray.

Watch, for thou thy guard must keep ;
Pray, for God must speed thy way :
Narrow is the road and steep :—
Therefore watch and pray.—AMEN.

19 —— 7's.

"We are journeying unto the place of which the Lord said, I will give it you."

CHILDREN of the heavenly King,
As we journey, let us sing :
Sing our Saviour's worthy praise,
Glorious in His works and ways.

We are travelling home to God,
In the way our fathers trod ;
They are happy now, and we
Soon their happiness shall see.

Foes are round us, but we stand
On the borders of the Land ;
Jesus, God's exalted Son,
Bids us undismayed go on.

Onward, then, we gladly press,
Through this earthly wilderness :
Lord, our Guide and Guardian be ;
Give us grace to follow Thee.—AMEN.

TUESDAY EVENING.

20 P.M.

"Abide with us: for it is toward evening."

THE day is past and over:
All thanks, O Lord, to Thee!
I pray Thee now, that sinless
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesu! keep me in Thy sight,
And save me through the coming night!

The joys of day are over:
I lift my heart to Thee,
And ask Thee that offenceless
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesu! make their darkness light,
And save me through the coming night!

The toils of day are over!
I raise the hymn to Thee,
And ask that free from peril
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesu, keep me in Thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night!

Lighten mine eyes, O Saviour,
Or sleep in death shall I;
And he, my wakeful tempter,
Triumphantly shall cry,
"He could not make their darkness light,
Nor guard them through the coming night!"

Be Thou my soul's Preserver,
O God ! for Thou dost know
How many are the perils
Through which I have to go :
Lover of men ! O hear my call,
And guard and save me from them all.
AMEN.

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21 C.M.

"The whole family in heaven and earth."

THE saints on earth and those above
But one communion make ;
Joined to their Lord in bonds of love,
All of His grace partake.

One family we dwell in Him,
One Church, above, beneath,
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of Death.

One army of the living God,
To His command we bow :
Part of the host have crossed the flood,
And part are crossing now.

How many to their endless home
This solemn moment fly !
And we are to the margin come,
And soon expect to die.

Lord Jesus, be our constant Guide!
Then, when the word is given,
Bid death's cold flood its waves divide,
And land us safe in heaven!—AMEN.

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22 8. 7.

"He that keepeth thee will not slumber."

SAVIOUR, breathe an evening blessing,
Ere repose our spirits seal;
Sin and want we come confessing;
Thou canst save, and Thou canst heal.

Though destruction walk around us,
Though the arrows past us fly,
Angel-guards from Thee surround us;
We are safe if Thou art nigh.

Though the night be dark and dreary,
Darkness cannot hide from Thee;
Thou art He who, never weary,
Watchest where Thy people be.—AMEN.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

23 L.M.

"The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in."

O FATHER, Who didst all things make,
That heaven and earth might do Thy will;
Bless us this day for Jesu's sake,
And for Thy work preserve us still.

For the Lord Jesus' sake uphold,
And cheer and gladden all the way,
Till to our weary feet unfold
The golden gates of heavenly day !—AMEN.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

26 6 7's.

"Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice."

FATHER ! by Thy love and power
Comes again the evening hour.
Light has vanished, labours cease,
Weary creatures rest in peace.
We to Thee ourselves resign,
Let our latest thoughts be Thine !

Saviour ! to Thy Father bear
This our earnest evening prayer :
Thou hast seen how oft to-day
We, like sheep, have gone astray ;
Blessed Saviour ! yet through Thee
All our sins may pardoned be.

Holy Spirit ! Breath of balm !
Fall on us in evening's calm :
Yet awhile, before we sleep,
We with Thee would vigils keep :
Melt our spirits, mould our will,
Soften, strengthen, comfort still !

Blessed Trinity! be near,
Through the hours of darkness drear;
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Guard us with the angel-host,
Till the flood of morning rays
Wake us to a song of praise.—AMEN.

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27 P. M.

"Thy will be done."

MY God, my Father, while I stray
Far from my home in life's rough way,
O teach me from my heart to say,
Thy will be done!

If Thou shouldst call me to resign
What most I prize,—it ne'er was mine;
I only yield Thee what is Thine;—
Thy will be done!

What though in lonely grief I sigh
For friends beloved, no longer nigh,
Submissive would I still reply,
Thy will be done!

If but my fainting heart be blest
With Thy sweet Spirit for its guest,
My God, to Thee I leave the rest;—
Thy will be done!

Renew my will from day to day;
Blend it with Thine, and take away
All that now makes it hard to say,
Thy will be done!

Then, when on earth I breathe no more
The prayer, oft mixed with tears before,
I'll sing upon a happier shore,
Thy will be done!—AMEN.

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28 6's.

"Abide with us, for it is toward evening."

SAVIOUR, abide with us;
The day is now far gone:
We would obtain a blessing thus,
By coming to Thy throne.

We have not reached that land,
That happy land, as yet,
Where holy angels round Thee stand,
Where suns can never set.

Our sun is sinking now,
Our day is almost o'er;
O Sun of Righteousness, do Thou
Shine on us evermore!—AMEN.

THURSDAY MORNING.

29 7 6, 7 6.

"Trust...in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy."

GOD of the cheerful morning,
As of the quiet night,
All things of Thine adorning
Are beautiful and bright.

Thou Giver of each blessing
That life can know or feel,
O hear our hearts confessing,
And purify and heal.

We wait, O Lord, before Thee,
With our unceasing need;
And thankfully adore Thee,
For Thou art good indeed.

All brightness and all beauty
Are Thine alone to give;
And ours the happy duty,
Through Christ to Thee to live.—AMEN.

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30 7. 6.

"Strangers and pilgrims on the earth."

O HAPPY band of pilgrims,
If onward ye will tread,
With Jesus as your fellow,
To Jesus as your head!

O happy, if ye labour
As Jesus did for men!
O happy, if ye hunger
As Jesus hunger'd then!

The cross that Jesus carried,
He carried as your due;
The crown that Jesus weareth,
He weareth it for you.

The Faith by which ye see Him,
The Hope in which ye yearn,
The Love that, through all troubles,
To Him alone will turn.

The trials that beset you,
The sorrows ye endure,
The manifold temptations
That death alone can cure.

What are they, but His jewels,
Of right celestial worth!
What are they, but the ladder
Set up to heaven on earth!

O happy band of pilgrims,
Look upward to the skies,
Where such a light affliction
Shall win you such a prize.

All glory to the Father,
And glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
While endless ages run.—AMEN.

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31 C. M.

"The things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal."

THE roseate hues of early dawn,
The brightness of the day,
The crimson of the sunset sky,
How fast they fade away!

O for the pearly gates of heaven,
O for the golden floor,
O for the Sun of Righteousness,
That setteth nevermore!

The highest hopes we cherish here,
How fast they tire and faint!
How many a spot defiles the robe
That wraps an earthly saint!

O for a heart that never sins,
O for a soul washed white;
O for a voice to praise our King,
Nor weary day nor night!

Here faith is ours, and heavenly hope,
And grace to lead us higher;
But there are perfectness and peace,
Beyond our best desire.

O by Thy love and anguish, Lord,
And by Thy life laid down,
Grant that we fall not from Thy grace,
Nor cast away our crown.—AMEN.

THURSDAY EVENING.

32 7 6, 7 6.

"I will both lay me down in peace and sleep; for Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety."

THIS night, O Lord, we bless Thee
For Thy protecting care,

And ere we sleep address Thee
In lowly, earnest prayer;
From evil and temptations
Defend us through this night,
And round our habitations
Be Thou a wall of light.

What may be on the morrow
Our foresight cannot sight;
But be it joy or sorrow,
We know it comes from Thee.
And nothing can take from us,
Where'er our steps may move,
The staff of Thy sure promise,
The shield of Thy dear love.

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33 P. M.

"Looking unto Jesus."

Looking unto Jesus
With the eye of faith,
Telling Him our troubles,
Hearing what He saith,—
Like the dayspring stealing
Through the shades of night,
Silently it turneth
Darkness into light.

Looking unto Jesus
In the stormy day,
We shall see His Spirit
Sent to cheer our way:

Looking unto Jesus
When the storms retreat,
He will be our shelter
From the noontide heat.

Wandering through the desert,
Where no fountains be,
There's a Rock which follows,
And that rock is He:
When the fainting pilgrim
Fails for lack of meat,
Jesus freely giveth
Angels' food to eat.

Look we unto Jesus
From the bed of pain,
As a suffering Brother,
Jesus will sustain.
Look we still to Jesus
In the hour of death;
Lo! the everlasting
Arms are underneath.

When the disembodied
In His presence stands,
Sees her name imprinted
On His wounded hands,
Read her blood-bought title
On His breast engraven,
Looking unto Jesus
Opes the gates of heaven.—AMEN.

34 S. M.

"Put on the whole armour of God."

SOLDIERS of Christ, arise,
And put your armour on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through His eternal Son.

Strong in the Lord of hosts,
And in His mighty power,
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror.

Stand, then, in His great might,
With all His strength endued,
And take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of God.

Jesus hath died for you,
What can His love withstand?
Believe, hold fast your shield, and who
Can pluck you from His hand?

From strength to strength go on,
Wrestle, and fight, and pray,
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
And win the well-fought day;

That, having all things done,
And all your conflicts past,
Ye may behold your victory won,
And stand complete at last.

Jesu! eternal Son,
We praise Thee and adore,
Who art with God the Father one,
And Spirit evermore.—AMEN.

FRIDAY MORNING.

35 L. M.

"God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

WHEN I survey the wondrous cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the cross of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingling down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so Divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.—AMEN.

36 6. 5.

"The precious Blood of Christ."

GLORY be to Jesus,
Who, in bitter pains,
Poured for me the life-blood
From His sacred veins.

Grace and life eternal
In that blood I find;
Blest be His compassion,
Infinitely kind.

Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torments
Did the world redeem.

Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies;
But the blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.

Oft as it is sprinkled
On our guilty hearts,
Satan in confusion
Terror-struck departs;

Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel-hosts rejoicing
Make their glad reply.

Lift ye then your voices;
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious blood.—AMEN.

37 — 6 7's.

"That Rock was Christ."

ROCK of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood
From Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power!

Not the labour of my hands
Can fulfil Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and Thou alone!

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for grace,
Helpless, look to Thee for grace,
Vile, I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, Saviour, or I die!

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When my eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee!—AMEN.

FRIDAY EVENING.

38 P. M.

"Hold Thou me up, and I shall be safe."

In the hour of trial,
Jesu! pray for me,
Lest, by base denial,
I depart from Thee:
When thou seest me waver,
With a look recall,
Nor, for fear or favour,
Suffer me to fall.

With its witching pleasures
Would this vain world charm,
Or its sordid treasures
Spread, to work me harm;
Bring to my remembrance
Sad Gethsemane,
Or, in darker semblance,
Cross-crowned Calvary.

If, with sore affliction,
Thou in love chastise,
Pour Thy benediction
On the sacrifice;
Then upon Thine altar
Freely offered up,
Though the flesh may falter,
Faith shall drink the cup.

When, in dust and ashes,
To the grave I sink,
While heaven's glory flashes
O'er the shelving brink;
On Thy truth relying
Through that mortal strife,
Lord, receive me, dying,
To eternal life!—AMEN.

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39 7's.

"God sent forth His Son, made of a woman."

WHEN our heads are bowed with woe,
When our bitter tears o'erflow,
When we mourn the lost, the dear,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn,
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne;
Thou hast shed the human tear:
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

When the heart is sad within
With the thought of all its sin,
When the spirit shrinks with fear,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

Thou the shame, the grief hast known,
Though the sins were not Thine own;
Thou hast deigned their load to bear;
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

When the solemn death-bell tolls
For our own departing souls,
When our final doom is near,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!

Thou hast bowed the dying head;
Thou the blood of life hast shed;
Thou hast filled a mortal bier:
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear!—AMEN.

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40 P. M.

"When my heart is overwhelmed, lead me to the Rock that is higher than I."

WHEN across the heart deep waves of sorrow
Break, as on a dry and barren shore;
While hope glistens with no bright to-morrow,
And the storm seems sweeping evermore;

When the cup of every earthly gladness
Bears no taste of the life-giving stream,
And high hopes, as though to mock our sadness,
Fade and die as in some fitful dream;—

Who shall hush the weary spirit's chiding,
Who the aching void within shall fill?
Who shall whisper of a peace abiding,
And each surging billow calmly still?

Only He whose wounded heart was broken
With the bitter cross and thorny crown,
Whose dear love glad words of joy had spoken,
Who His life for us laid meekly down.

Blessed Healer! all our burdens lighten;
Give us peace, Thine own sweet peace, we pray;
Keep us near Thee till the morn shall brighten,
And all mists and shadows flee away.—AMEN.

SATURDAY MORNING.

41 L. M.

"His compassions fail not; they are new every morning."

NEW every morning is the love
Our wakening and uprising prove;
Through sleep and darkness safely brought,
Restored to life, and power, and thought.

New mercies, each returning day,
Hover around us while we pray;
New perils past, new sins forgiven,
New thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

If on our daily course our mind
Be set to hallow all we find,
New treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

The trivial round, the common task,
Will furnish all we need to ask,—
Room to deny ourselves, a road
To bring us daily nearer God.

Only, O Lord, in Thy dear love
Fit us for perfect rest above;
And help us, this and every day,
To live more nearly as we pray.—AMEN.

42 —— C. M.

"Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations."

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in Thy sight,
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night,
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home!—Amen.

43 —— L. M.

"For our conversation is in heaven."

JESUS, our best beloved Friend,
On Thy redeeming Name we call;
Jesus, in love to us descend,
Pardon and sanctify us all!

Our souls and bodies we resign,
To love and follow Thy commands;
O take our hearts, our hearts are Thine,
Accept the service of our hands.

Firm, faithful, watching unto prayer,
Our Master's voice will we obey;
Toil in Thy vineyard here, and bear
The heat and burden of the day.

Yet, Lord, for us a resting-place
In heaven, at Thy right hand, prepare;
And, till we see thee face to face,
Be all our conversation there.—AMEN.

SATURDAY EVENING.

44 6. 8's.

"The Lord is my Light."

SWEET Saviour, bless us ere we go;
Thy word into our minds instil;
And make our lukewarm hearts to glow
With lowly love and fervent will.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

The day is gone, its hours have run,
And Thou hast taken count of all,
The scanty triumphs grace hath won,
The broken vow, the frequent fall.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

Grant us, dear Lord, from evil ways
True absolution and release;
And bless us, more than in past days,
With purity and inward peace.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

Do more than pardon; give us joy,
Sweet fear and sober liberty,
And simple hearts without alloy
That only long to be like Thee.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

Labour is sweet, for Thou hast toiled;
And care is light, for Thou hast cared;
Ah! never let our works be soiled
With strife, or by deceit ensnared.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.

For all we love, the poor, the sad,
The sinful, unto Thee we call;

O let Thy mercy make us glad:
Thou art our Jesus and our all.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle Jesus, be our Light.—AMEN.

45 —— S. M.

"Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"

THERE is no night in heaven;
In that blest world above,
Work never can bring weariness,
For work itself is love.
There is no night in heaven;
Yet nightly round the bed
Of every Christian wanderer
Faith hears an angel tread.

There is no grief in heaven;
For life is one glad day,
And tears are of those former things
Which all have passed away.
There is no grief in heaven;
Yet angels from on high
On golden pinions earthward glide,
The Christian's tears to dry.

There is no sin in heaven:
Behold that blessed throng;
All holy is their spotless robe,
All holy is their song.

There is no sin in heaven:
Here who from sin is free?
Yet angels aid us in our strife
For Christ's true liberty.

There is no death in heaven;
For they who gain that shore
Have won their immortality,
And they can die no more.
There is no death in heaven;
But when the Christian dies,
The angels 'wait his parted soul,
And waft it to the skies.—AMEN.

46 —— 8. 7. 7.

"I will lay me down in peace and take my rest."

THROUGH the day Thy love has spared us,
Now we lay us down to rest;
Through the silent watches guard us,
Let no foe our peace molest;
Jesu, Thou our Guardian be;
Sweet it is to trust in Thee.

Pilgrims here on earth, and strangers,
Dwelling in the midst of foes,
Us and ours preserve from dangers,
In Thine arms may we repose,
And, when life's sad day is past,
Rest with Thee in heaven at last.

AMEN.

47 —— P.M.

"The Lord shall be thine everlasting light."

For ever with the Lord!
Amen, so let it be;
Life from the dead is in that word,
And immortality.
Here in the body pent,
Absent from Him I roam,
Yet nightly pitch my moving tent
A day's march nearer home.

My Father's house on high,
Home of my soul, how near
At times, to faith's illumined eye,
Thy golden gates appear!
My thirsty spirit faints
To reach the land I love,
The bright inheritance of saints,
Jerusalem above.

Yet clouds will intervene,
And all my prospect flies;
Like Noah's dove I flit between
Rough seas and stormy skies.
Anon the clouds depart,
The winds and waters cease,
While sweetly o'er the gladdened heart
Expands the bow of peace.—Amen.

48 —— S. M.

"There remaineth therefore a Rest to the people of God."

A FEW more years shall roll,
A few more seasons come,
And we shall be with those that rest
Within the silent tomb.

A few more storms shall beat
On this wild, rocky shore,
And we shall be where tempests cease,
And surges swell no more.

A few more Sabbaths here
Shall cheer us on our way,
And we shall reach the endless rest,
The eternal Sabbath day.

A few more struggles here,
A few more partings o'er,
A few more toils and bitter tears,
And we shall weep no more.

Jesu! our souls prepare
For that most blessed day;
O wash us in Thy precious Blood,
And take our sins away.—AMEN.

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